NAPOLEON, As Seen by His Associates

"I AM SLAPPING A KING"

APOLEON took himself seriously as a world potentate, a modern Alexander in Europe, but to the onlooker who had no unguarded crown in the pathway of the conqueror the situation on the continent 100 years ago must have suggested royal opera bouffe. It was said that every private soldier in the army of France carried a marshal's baton in his knapsack. In the same sense Napoleon carried on the march a bunch of crowns tied to the saddiebox and

crowns tied to the saddlebow and handed them out as prizes to the latest favorites.

Marshal Murat, ex-private and exhostler and ex-walter as well, attained the baton in the course of things, meanwhile wedding the emperor's sister. Suddenly Murat was missed at the head of his corps, and the soldiers of other commands not in the secret asked his old followers whether their leader had been cashiered or exiled or shot, for, brilliant soldier though he was, Murat was not a stranger to imperial discipline. "No; only promoted to king of Naples," was the offhand reply. Nothing unusual about that, The crown of Naples was the sixth that Napoleon of Naples was the sixth that Napoleon had dragooned into the family in the space of four years.

When I went to see the king of Prussia, instead of a library I found he had a large room, like an arsenal, furnished with shelves and pegs, in which were placed 50 or 60 jackets of various modes. Every day he changed his fashion and put on a different one.

"At Jena his army performed the finest and most showy maneuvers possible, but I soon put a stop to their coglionerie (silliness) and taught them that to fight and to execute dazzling maneuvers and wear splendid uniforms were very different affiairs. If." added he, "the French army had been comhe, "the French army had been com-manded by a tailor the king of Prussia would certainly have gained the day from his superior knowledge in that

from his superior knowledge it the art.

"There, at Tilsit, I made a grave mistake, I should have removed the king of Prussia from the throne. I hesitated an instant, feeling sure that the czar, Alexander, would not oppose it provided I did not take full possession of the kingdom of Prussia. I should have decreed that the house of Hohenzellern had ceased to reign, because at the time of the definitive treaty (which surrendered half the Prussian domain to France) that would have been perfectly simple.

"A little Hohenzollern on the staff of Barthler asked me to seat him on the

Barthier asked me to seat him on the throne. I should certainly have put



NAPOLEON IN THE COSTUME OF A MOUNTED CHASSEUR

The long wished for and long deferred birth of a son and heir to Napoleon happened just when the stock of surplus crowns had been exhausted, so one was created for the emergency by a bit of fiction and the babe in swaddling clothes solemnly christened and crowned king of Rome. The emperor romped and played like the average middle class father with his hopeful firstborn, and one such scene in particular was preserved to history in the memoirs of Mme. de Remusat. Mme. de Remusat.

one day at breakfast, when, as was often the case, Talma, the actor, had been admitted to Napoleon's apartment, the little king of Rome was brought to him. Says Mme. de Remu-

The emperor took the child on his The emperor took the child on his knee and, far from caressing, amused himself by slapping him, though not so as to hurt him; then, turning to Talma, he said. 'Talma, tell me what I am dog.' Talma, as may be supposed, did t know what to say. 'You do not see' continued the emperor; 'I am slap-

At that date Napoleon had become an At that date Napoleon had become an adept at slapping kings of his own stature—that is, threatening them, humbling them and making or unmaking them at will. And his opinion of the divine right sovereigns around him was far from complimentary, as may be judged from his own words.

Asked at St. Helena if his old enemy, the king of Prussia, was a man of talthe king of Prussia, was a man of fai-ent, Napoleon burst into a fit of laugh-ter, and exclaimed: "Who? The king of Prussia? He a man of talent! The greatest blockhead on earth; an igno-ramus without talent or knowledge. He cannot hold a conversation for five

"When," continued Napoleon, "I was at Tilsit with the Emperor Alexander and the king of Prussia I was the most ignorant of the three in military af-fairs. These two sovereigns, especially the king of Prussia, were completely au fait as to the number of buttons there ought to be in front of a jacket, there ought to be in front of a lacket, how many behind and the manner in which the skirts ought to be cut. Not a tailor in the army knew better than King Frederick how many measures of cloth it took to make a jacket. In fact," continued he, laughing, "I was nobody in comparison with them.

and the emperor of Austria. When I was at Schoenbrunn the Duke of Wursburg frequently insinuated to me that the only means to secure the good faith of Austria would be to depose his brother Francis and place the crown on his head. These offers were repeated to me afterward through a repeated to me afterward through a minister, with an offer of his son as hostage, who should be placed as my aid-de-camp, with every other possible guarantee. I reflected upon it for some time, but the marriage with Maria Louisa put a stop to any further consideration on the subject. I was wrong in not having accepted of it. Nothing would have been easier to execute."

Napoleon's first essay at creating royalty took place under the consulate, and the beneficiary was the obscure offspring of some Italian duke. Before setting out for his new realm the princeling visited the consular court, and his uncrowned master bluntly de clared him a fool. Says Bourrienne:

"One day after the first consul had spent several hours in company with this king and his consort he said to me: 'I am quite tired. He is a mere automaton. I put a number of questions to him, but he can answer none. He is obliged to consult his wife, who makes him understand as well as the label. him understand as well as she is able what he ought to say.' The first consul added, 'The poor prince will set off tomorrow without knowing what he is going to do.' I observed that it was a pity to see the happiness of the people of Threaty intersted to such a such as the consultant of the people of Threaty intersted to such a such as the consultant of the people of Threaty intersted to such a such as the consultant of the people of Threaty intersted to such as the consultant of the people of the peop of Tuscany intrusted to such a prince.
Bonaparte replied. 'Policy requires it.
Besides, the young man is not worse
than the usual run of kings.'" GEORGE L. MILLER.

Next week's letter will be on Na-poleon as Seen by His Military Associ-



McDonald's Nut

Another new one, 'twill be ready for the market August 15. The style of package and name is being registered.

lin Underwear

Starts Monday, July 11th, at 8 a.m.

IT WILL BE THE CREATEST SALE THIS OR ANY OTHER STORE EVER INAUGURATED. THE LOW PRICE FEATURES ARE MORE ATTRACTIVE THAN EVER BUT QUALITY REIGNS SUPREME.

HERE'LL BE VALUES greater than you've ever conceived of. Because of the exceedingly low prices quoted we do not want you to think that we have sacrificed one iota in the quality of the Garments offered. They combine that rare union of ECONOMY with HIGH STANDARD of QUALITY. Whose attainment is the Triumph of the Most Progressive Merchandising. Stocks are Enormous, No. matter how many people swarm to this Sale, all will be amply accommodated. Every thing is New, Fresh and Best. Every Garment is made along the most approved lines. No skimping in sizes—Perfect Materials—Superior Workmanship—Full Sizes—All prices from one-third to one-half less than ordinary. To make choosing easy we have Grouped, Classified and Displayed on Special Tables in our Main Center Aisle and Muslin Underwear Section SIX GREAT SPECIAL LOTS AS FOLLOWS:

To Prevent Dealers Purchasing, we reserve the right to limit quantities.

TABLE No. 1. Main Center Aisle at per Carment

worth less than double, and some treble the price marked.

CHILDREN'S DRAWERS with hem on bottom, headed by tuck, sizes 1 to 3, to fit children up to 6 years, splen-....10c did 25e value, on sale

INFANTS' SLIPS, well sewed, made of good cam-bric, with ruffle on neck, and sleeves, go in this sale 10c

LADIES' CORSET COV-

with waist in three sizes, to fit children up to 6 years, this sale price is much less than cost of material,

WAISTS, strongly made, with double row of buttons, sizes to fit children up to 10c

TABLE No. 3. Main Center Aisle at per

Than Any You Ever Con-

ceived of. LADIES' NIGHT GOWNS, liberally cut and well made of good muslin, three styles, to choose from, all with double back yoke, front yoke, plain or embroidery trimmed, hemstitched ruffle on neck

CHILDREN'S NIGHT GOWNS, made of extra qual-ity muslin with double back yoke and front yoke of fine tucks, all sizes, on sale at

LADIES' DRAWERS, two styles, made of extra quality muslin with deep tucked ruf-fle, open or closed, all 25c 25c girls up to 14 years, 25c 1 ADIES' SHORT SKIRT, in all lengths, made full width of good muslin, trimmed with

deep heinstitched ruffle 25c hem and tucks, all sizes posi-tively the greatest bargain at this sale price, ..25c CHILD'S SKIRT waist, made of fine lawn, with

sizes, Fale price, 25c LADIES CHEMISE, in all sizes, made of extra quality muslin with ruffle around neck and arm holes, 25c sale price, each..... 25c LADIES' CORSET COV-25c ERS, in five nobby styles, lace or embroidery trimmed,

tight fitting or with string, all sizes, sale

For \$2.50 Persian Lawn Waists, full assortment of neat, pretty styles—sizes 32, 34 and 36.

For \$3.00 tailored shirt waists, made of fancy figured swiss, knife pleated front, pretly stock collar.

TABLE No. 5. In Underwear Section at per Carment

A Rare Cathering of the Most Remarkable Values.

LADIES' NIGHT GOWNS-Five nobby styles,

lin, with deep umbrella ruffle, trimmed in embroddery, torchon lace, hemstitching and tucks, all lengths, made full width and with extra dust 75c ruffle, sale price brella ruffle, sizes 25 to 31, sale 75c

LADIES' CORSET COVERS, made of fine Nainsook, five styles to choose from in this lot; are most elegantly trimmed in Lace or Embroi and can't be duplicated for less than \$1.25, LADIES' SKIRT CHEMISE, made of fine Cambric, Torchon Lace trimmed yoke, neck, arm he and ruffle on bottom, sizes 34 to 44, sale 75c

LADIES' DRAWERS, made of best Muslin, Cambric or good quality Nainsook, four styles, trimmed in Torchon or Paris Point Lace or Embroidery; all sizes, open or closed, sale 75c.

ONE PRICE TO ALL - NEVER UNDERSOLD

TABLE No. 6. In Underwear Section at per Carment-

Exceeeingly Attractive Line, containing values worth double the price named.

LADIES' SKIRTS, made with extra dust ruffle and deep flounce, trimmed in deep embroidery, Paris point or Torchon lace, 6 pretty styles to choose from, all lengths, \$2.00 values. choose from, all lengths, \$2.00 values. \$1.00

LADIES' SHORT SKIRTS of finest cambric,

trimmed in Paris point lace edging and in or deep embroidery, headed by tucks,

of best quality muslin, with yoke of 4 rows broidery insertion and fine tucks, with emb ruffle on neck and sleeves. Sale price, LADIES' SKIRT CHEMISE, made of fine nainsook, with embroidery beading, at waist, you arm holes trimmed in Torchon lace and lace med ruffle on bottom, all sizes, sale

\$1.00 LADIES' DRAWERS of extra fine cambric or soft finished nainsook, elegantly trimmed point lace or fine deep Swiss embroidery, \$1.00 ll sizes, open or closed. Sale price LADIES' CORSET COVERS, made of

Highest Grade WUSLIN Underwear!

At the regular underwear counter at yet Creater Savings than the cheaper kinds. A few of the many unusual offerings:

Ladies Skirt of fine Cambric with 16-inch deep Lawn Umbrella ruffle trimmed in 3 rows of 1½ inch wide Torchon Lace Inser-tion and 3 inch edging all lengths a \$2.25 Skirt at \$1.35

Ladies Skirt Chemise of fine Cambric trimmed with 2 rows of wide Torchon lace insertion and hemstitching and lace edged on neck and arm holes, with 2-inch wide insertion and 3-inch edging on bottom, all sizes, \$2.25 value for this sale each \$1.35

Ladies' skirt, made of finest cambric with 20-inch deep lawn flounce, headed by ribbon drawn beading and trimmed in two rows of 1½-inch wide embroidery insertion, and 6-inch ruffle, all lengths, a beautiful \$7.00 \$4.95 skirt at

Ladles' Skirt of very finest nainsook with 20 inch deep flounce, headed by tucks and trimmed in 14 inch deep finest Swiss embroidery and narrow

swiss embroidery and narrow insertion, an elegant \$5.95
Ladles' gown of very fine nainsook, with yoke of open worked embroidery insertion and fine tucks with neck and sleeves trimmed in finest swiss embroidery, all sizes, \$3.00

Ladies' nainsook corset cover, trimmed in swiss embroidery insertion and edging and embroidered Medallions, all \$1.35

Ladies' kimona gown of very fine cambric, elegantly trimmed in open worked embroidery insertion, all sizes, \$2.75 value, sale price\$1.65

Ladies' drawers of finest cambric, trimmed in paris point lace, embroidery insertion and tucks, open or closed, all sizes, \$1.40

A SALE OF INFANTS' FURNISHINGS In Connection With Our Great Muslin Underwear Sale.

Muslin Underwear Sale.

NEED to go into detail, suffice it to say that every item in our INFANTS' WEAR DEPART-MENT, be it Long or Snort Dress, Long or Short Coat, Knitted or Cashmere Jacket, Infants' Cap or Bonnet, Flannel, Cambric or Nainsook Skirt anything and everything in this popular department is marked down during this sale to less—much less—than cost of production.

It's a rare saving opportunity. You can clothe baby at A SAVING OF ONE-THIRD TO ONE-

For \$1.50 colored lawn waists, tucked front and back; insertion trimmed—a 75c very special waist bargain. For \$2.00 white lawn walsts, made in

embroidered front.

Boys' Clothing

And Cents' Furnishing Dept. GENTS' FINE BALBRIGGAN UNDERWEAR, all sizes, regular 50c grade, will sell this week for, per garment

35 cts. BOYS' BLOUSE WAISTS, with large sailor collars, our regular 50c values, this week for— 35 cts.

Our Shoe Dept.

hand sewed, 3 point house slip-pers, very flexible, and positively \$1.50 values. SPECIAL CUT PRICE- \$1.00.

Child's Kid Shoes, lace and button, hand-turned and very flexi-ble. Positively \$1.00 values. SPE-CIAL CUT PRICE—

75 cts.

chasing, we reserve the right to limit quantities, TABLE No. 2.

To Prevent Dealers Pur-

Main Center Aisle at-per

You cant buy the material in any of these garments

for this sale price. LADIES' DRAWERS, made of good Muslin, with 6-inch deep Cambric ruffle on bot-tom, all sizes, open or closed. worth 30c, sale 15c

MISSES' DRAWERS in sizes to fit girls up to 14 years, made of good muslin with hem and tucks on bottom, sale CHILDREN'S DRAWERS

sizes to fit children up to six years,made of best Muslin and with stitched ruffle, sale 15c LADIES CHEMISE-Plain

LADIES' CHEMISE—Plain but extra well made of good muslin, sizes 34 to 44, 15c LADIES' CORSET COVERS, made of good Cambric, three styles to choose from, trimmed in Lace, Embroidery

WAISTS All sizes, an extra good quality, well made, with taped bone buttons,

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are to be found here.

LADIES' SKIRT CHEMISE of good Cambric, with yoke of Embroidery and Insertion, tucks and deep ruffle on the bottom, sizes 34 to 44, a \$1.00 value, sale special, 50c LADIES' NIGHT GOWNS

LADIES' NIGHT GOWNS in four nobby styles, all cut extra full and long, made with double back yoke, and trimmed in Embroidery, Torchon Lace, fine tucks and hemstitching, splendid \$1.00 to the sale special, each CLADIES' CHEMISE, made of fine Cambric, two styles, trimmed in Torchon Lace or Embroidery all sizes sale 50c special, each. LADIES' SKIRTS, made with deep umbrella ruffle, either plain, hemstitched or embroidery trimmed, all sizes,

sale special, each...
LADIES' SHORT SKIRTS
—Three pretty styles to pick
from, all made of fine Cambric with hemstitched tucked,

EADIES' CORSET COVERS—To appreciate this offering you must see the nine pretty styles shown, all sizes, elegantly trimmed in Lace or Embroidery, and made of fine Nainsook, sale special.

WASH GOODS DEPT.

MONDAY, from 9 to 12 O'Clock.

SPECIAL! FAST BLACK LACE STRIPED LAWNS, REGULAR PRICE 20c.

For the above three hours, 10c at (per yard)